

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

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Assignee:

NEC Electronics America, Inc.

Title:

TUNGSTEN PLUG CORROSION PREVENTION

METHOD USING WATER

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action dated October 18, 2004, such extension allowing the undersigned until April 18, 2005, to respond.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$1,020.00 to Deposit Account No. 502306.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia, 22313-1450, on

Respectfully submitted,

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